



Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An oral composition comprising ~~crystalline~~ microcrystalline cellulose, and one or more surface active agents selected from the group consisting of alkyl glucoside, ~~glycoside~~, ~~polyglycerin fatty acid ester~~, sucrose fatty acid ester and betaine.
2. (Currently Amended) The oral composition of according to claim 1, wherein the ~~crystalline~~ microcrystalline cellulose is contained at 0.2-10 % by weight of the oral composition.
3. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 1, wherein the surface active agent is alkyl ~~glycoside~~ glucoside.
4. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 3, wherein an alkyl chain of the alkyl ~~glycoside~~ glucoside is C8-C16 in length.
5. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 1, wherein the surface active agent is ~~polyglycerin fatty acid ester~~ or sucrose fatty acid ester.
6. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 5, wherein an alkyl chain of a fatty acid portion of ~~the polyglycerin fatty acid ester~~ or the sucrose fatty acid ester is C8-C16 in length.
7. (Previously Presented) The oral composition according to claim 1, wherein the surface active agent is betaine.
8. (Original) The oral composition according to claim 7, wherein the betaine is fatty acid amide propyl betaine.
9. (Original) The oral composition according to claim 8, wherein an alkyl chain of a fatty acid portion of the fatty acid amide propyl betaine is C8-C16 in length.
10. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 1, further comprising a cationic ~~baetericide~~ antimicrobial agent.

11. (Currently Amended)An oral composition comprising a cationic ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent and ~~crystalline~~ microcrystalline cellulose having an average particle diameter of equal to or smaller than 10 micrometers.
12. (Currently Amended)The oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the cationic ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent is a quaternary ammonium salt.
13. (Currently Amended) The oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the cationic ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent is a biguanide ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent.
14. (Currently Amended)The oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the cationic ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent is one or more selected from the group consisting of cetylpyridinium chloride, benzalkonium chloride, benzethonium chloride, chlorhexidine hydrochloride and chlorhexidine gluconate.
15. (Currently Amended)The oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the cationic ~~bactericide~~ antimicrobial agent is contained at 0.001-10 % by weight of the oral composition.
16. (Currently Amended)The oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the ~~crystalline~~ microcrystalline cellulose is contained at 0.2-10 % by weight of the oral composition.
17. (Previously Presented)The oral composition according to claim 11, further comprising one or more surface active agents selected from nonionic and amphoteric surface active agents.
18. (Currently Amended)The oral composition according to claim 17, wherein the surface active agent is alkyl ~~glycoside~~ glucoside having an alkyl chain of C8-C16 in length.
19. (Original)The oral composition according to claim 17, wherein the surface active agent is fatty acid amide propyl betaine having an alkyl chain of a fatty acid portion of C8-C16 in length.